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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 204
By Ridgeway

A RESOLUTION To designate the week of April 23-28, 2001 as
"World's Biggest Fish Fry Week" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, The members of this legislative body are pleased to recognize those
noteworthy events and traditions that reflect the proud traditions of our State and its citizenry;
and

WHEREAS, One such storied event is the "World's Biggest Fish Fry," held each year in
Paris, Tennessee and sponsored by the Paris/Henry County Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, A whopping 12,000 pounds of catfish have been ordered to satisfy the
tastes of the thousands of visitors who will attend this year's event, the 48th Annual Fish Fry;
and

WHEREAS, Visitors to Paris can immerse themselves in such fun-filled events as the
IPRA rodeo, beauty pageants, carnival, car show, arts and crafts show, catfish race, motorcross
race, country dance, street dance, small fry parade, junior fishing rodeo, and the Grand Parade;
and

WHEREAS, Throughout its illustrious history, this extraordinary event has helped to
foster a community spirit among Fish Fry volunteers, with many Parisians and Henry Countians

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giving of their time and remarkable talents to ensure the reputation Henry County has enjoyed since the Civil War, when it was first called "the Volunteer County of the Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, The Grand Marshal of this year's Grand Parade is Cherry Jones, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones and sister of Susan Jones, who is a renowned actress on Broadway and in movies; Miss Jones has received numerous awards and acclaim for her performances in such productions as the "The Hiress," for which she won the Tony Award, and proudly returns to represent her beloved Paris in this year's festivities; and

WHEREAS, The Grand Parade will also feature 2001 Hostess Princess Brittney Young, First Maid Leslie Bradley, Second Maid Cassie Moody, Third Maid Allison Edwards, and Fourth Maid Mallorie Jenkins; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Paris/Henry County Jaycees, the 2001 Fish Fry Board of Directors includes General Manager Dewayne Baldwin, Jaycees' President Troy Rutland, Assistant Manager Chris Martin, Treasurer D. J. Hrachovina, Secretary Candy Reed, and Past General Manager David "Tator" Hayes; and

WHEREAS, It is important that this legislative body should recognize those Tennessee communities which have significantly contributed to the well-being of this State and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby designate the week of April 23-28, 2001 as the "World's Biggest Fish Fry Week" in Tennessee and commend everyone involved in making the Fish Fry such a highly successful event each year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.